

SOMB Meeting Minutes

The regular meeting of the Sex Offender Management Board was called to order on May 20, 2010, Illinois Department of Corrections, via videoconferencing, in Chicago and Springfield, Illinois. Board member Jack Cutrone called the meeting to order.

Present:

Chicago -Steve Goytia, Alesia Crockett, Verlin Meinz, Amy Campanelli, Robin McGinnis, Honorable Marjorie C. Laws

Springfield - Tracie Newton, Sheryl Essenburg, Dick Winkler and Jack Cutrone

Absent:

Excused: Cara Smith, Alyssa Williams-Schafer, Carol Corgan, Mickie Owens, Michael Bednarz, Harry Reed, Jerry Isikoff, B. Kent Jones

Unexcused: Shauna Boliker, Catherine Haberkorn, Rena Van Tine, Pat Delfino

A. Welcome/Roll Call

B. Provider Qualifications

Training Recommendations

IN-AJSOP

Alesia Crockett reported she spoke with IN-AJSOP representatives several times regarding submission of a proposal outlining the training the agency could provide to non-licensed SOMB approved juvenile providers. The agency did not respond, as a result, she does not have an alternative training option to present to the Board.

NEARI

Robin McGinnis presented the proposal submitted by NEARI to the Board. The proposal requires the providers to complete (1) an on-line training and (2) and a two-day workshop presented by Craig Latham, Ph.D. to remain on the Approved Provider list.

- (1) The on-line workshop covers five classes at \$200 for 11-35 people. If CEU's are requested it will be \$225 for social workers and \$275 for psychologist.
- (2) The cost for the speaker to conduct the two-day training (which includes travel expenses and lodging) will be approximated \$4,000.

Robin made the suggestion of opening up the training to individuals outside of the SOMB Approved Providers and charge a fee to offset the cost of the speaker. Alesia stated she would have to speak with Dave Boots, Chief Fiscal Officer, Illinois Attorney General's office to see if the Board is able to collect funds.

The Board discussed the covering the all the costs for the speaker. Currently, there is over \$84,000 in the SOMB fund. Robin McGinnis made a motion for the Board to cover the cost for the speaker. Verlin Mainz seconded the motion All members present approved the motion.

Robin agreed to obtain a list of available dates from the speaker and submit them to Alesia. The tentative location for the training is Bloomington, Illinois.

Status of Emergency Rule

Alesia Crockett reported Steve Rotello, Assistant Attorney General, Illinois Attorney General's office, is in the process of completing the necessary paperwork for submission to JCAR. She will provide an update at the next Board meeting.

C. New Business

Legislation

Tracie Newton provided information on bills that have passed both the houses:

- HB 5043
- HB 5762*
- SB 1702*
- SB 2462
- SB 2824*
- SB 3084*
- SB 3176
- SB 3293

She stated there may be other sex offense type bills, but these are ones that ISP is following and which affect registration or current laws regarding sex offenders. Tracie emailed the above list to Alesia to email to Board members. (*these bills were discussed at the meeting)

Adam Walsh Act (AWA) Update

Tracie informed the Board that Florida, Ohio and Delaware were found to be in compliance with AWA. The SMART office had a conference call to clarify retroactivity and juvenile issues. They agreed to not place juveniles on the registry.

Board Membership

Sheryl Essenberg was inquiring about the status of her membership and other appointments. Alesia stated that she does not have an update on her status but will check with Cara.

The current board vacancies are as follows:

Attorney General's Office appointments:

- Two state's attorney position (Ron Matekatis resigned and one currently being held by Sheryl Essenberg)

- One licensed mental health treatment professional (Jeff Brown resigned)

Governor's Office appointments:

- Two law enforcement officers (one representing juveniles and one representing sex crimes)
- Two members of the judiciary (one representing juveniles and one representing adults)

Anyone interested in submitting applications for the Governor's vacancies can apply online at www.appointments.illinois.gov. Any with recommendations for the Attorney General's vacancies can submit their request, in writing, to SOMB Chairperson Cara Smith.

Remarks

The Honorable Marjorie C. Laws, Presiding Judge, Sixth Judicial District-Circuit Court of Cook County was invited by board member Amy Campanelli to attend the meeting.

The Judge expressed interest attending future meeting and would see if she can assist with making some recommendations for the current judicial vacancies.

G. Next Meeting: July 15, 2010 – Illinois State Police-Springfield

H. Adjournment